Weekly Volunteer Update

The City of Bloomington Volunteer Network is your source for information about volunteering locally. For a complete listing, visit www.bloomington.in.gov/volunteer or call 349-3433.



September 17, 2008

QUOTE OF THE WEEK:

"The hope of a secure and livable world lies with disciplined nonconformists who are dedicated to justice, peace and brotherhood."

~ Martin Luther King, Jr.

Domestic Violence Training - Sept. 27, Dec. 6

Middle Way House is seeking new volunteers to help them maintain the level of service provided to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. Both women and men are strongly encouraged to choose one of the many volunteer opportunities available in over 20 different program areas, including crisis line, child care, legal advocacy, and community reception. Volunteers must attend an eight hour training about domestic violence. The next trainings will be held on September 27 and December 6 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 219 E. 4th Street in the First United Methodist Church. No pre-registration is required. Please contact Beatriz Binkley at (812)337-4510 ext. 4 or mww.vol.coord@gmail.com. (www.middlewayhouse.org)

Horse Around At PALS – Oct. 17, 18

The People and Animal Learning Services therapeutic horse-riding program needs your help with the annual "PALS Fun Show". On October 17th from 1-6 p.m., volunteers – especially groups of 10 to 15 – are needed to set up chairs and tables, clean and set up the barn and post signs. On event day – Oct. 18th from 12:30-5:30 p.m. - volunteers will work concessions, show visitors where parking, amenities and events are located, and assist with clean up. **Experienced photographers** are needed to take action shots of PALS riders showcasing their talents during the show, taking a 3-4 hour shift between 10 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Minimum age for photographers is 17 and for other volunteers is 15. Lunch from the Trojan Horse will be provided. Please contact Phyllicia White at (812)219-7201 or phwhite@indiana.edu. (www.palstherapy.org)

Home Tour Docents - Oct. 18

Every year, Bloomington Restorations holds a home tour that showcases homes displaying historic interest and preservation excellence. Docents are trained on-the-spot prior to the tour, answer questions about their special home and receive free admission to the tour. Volunteers are needed on Oct. 18 from noon to 5 p.m. Minimum age is 18. Please contact Steve Wyatt at (812)336-0909 or <a href="mailto:brightlements-bright

MOSAIC Film Festival Planning Committee

Diversity Theatre invites the community to join its Mosaic Film Festival Planning Committee. There are opportunities for those with expertise in fund raising, graphic design, publicity and film selection. The Film Festival, which will be held in April, will show short films on issues of aging, disability, ethnicity and religion in the United States. Volunteers may be teens and older. Please contact Audrey Heller at (812)336-3198 or hellera@indiana.edu. (www.bloomington.in.gov/cfrd)

Shalom's Kitchen

Why not put your kitchen skills to work helping with meal preparation, serving or clean up for the Shalom Community Center? The Center provides two meals a day – a light breakfast and full lunch – to those experiencing homelessness or poverty. They also provide telephones, mail and message service, referrals, social service contacts, shower and laundry facilities, job help, clothes and groceries. Be a part of a team or come on your own - you'll always find friends in the kitchen at Shalom! Minimum age is 18. Please contact Pam Kinnaman at (812)334-5734 or pam@shalomcommunitycenter.org. (www.shalomcommunitycenter.org)

Community Wish List – *Grant a wish for this community organization!*

Hoosier Hills Food Bank The Food Bank is moving to a new facility on West Industrial Park Drive at the end of September and needs a few things for the warehouse. Used items are fine if in good condition. The Food Bank collects, stores and distributes donated food to over 80 nonprofit organizations with feeding programs that directly serve needy and hungry people, distributing over 2 million pounds of food each year. To grant a wish for this organization contact Kim Kanney at 334-8374 or volunteer@hhfoodbank.org (www.hhfoodbank.org)

Wishes: Vacuum cleaner, reception area chairs, meeting/work tables, coffee table, bulletin boards, 2-wheel dolly, 4-wheel carts, warehouse racking, cleaning supplies, toilet paper, paper towels, wall clocks and, of course, canned and nonperishable food.

The inclusion of an organization in this list does not imply City endorsement or support of the organization's activities or policies.

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